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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Applicants submit to the Examiner the attached Form PTO-1449 document listing and this paper pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56 and § 1.97-1.98. Form PTO-1449 is attached and copies of the references are enclosed herewith. This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted more than three months from the filing date of this application, but before the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, no fees or declarations are necessary. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in any fees due with the filing of this paper or credit any overpayment in any fees to our Deposit Account Number 08-3040.

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Listed below are previously filed, and co-pending, U.S. Patent applications. These applications, the related published PCT Patent Applications, and the present application are commonly owned:

- (1) Provisional U.S. Patent Application No. 60/037,727, filed February 7, 1997 (abandoned)
- (2) U.S. Patent Application No. 09/260,073, filed March 1, 1999

The months of publication for documents (AT) and (BV) could not be determined. The year of publication for document (AT) is sufficiently earlier than the effective US filing date and/or the foreign priority date of the present application so that the particular month of publication of the document is not in issue (MPEP 609).

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the enclosed documents identified in this paper and in the attached Form PTO-1449 during the course of the examination of this application.

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